

Gray Wolf Pup (Canis lupus)

The gray wolf is the largest member of the Canid family. Gray wolves are social animals, living in packs of four to seven members, usually consisting of a breeding pair (alpha male and female) and their young. Most wolves leave the pack when they are about two years old. Gray wolf populations in the lower 48 states were listed as endangered in 1973, except in Minnesota, where they were listed as threatened. Defenders of Wildlife helped restore wolves to Yellowstone National Park, central Idaho and the Southwest.

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